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SUBJ: TANZANIAN VIEW OF POSSIBLE BUTHELEZI VISIT

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1. AFRICA DIVISION FON. MIN. OFFICIAL TOLD ACT'G DCM TODAY THAT IF KWAZULU CHIEF BUTHELELEZI DECIDES TO VISIT TANZANIA, HE WILL BE TREATED AS VIP AND ACCORDED DISCUSSIONS WITH SENIOR TANZANIAN OFFICIALS. ALTHOUGH OFFICIAL ADDED HE WAS SPEAKING PERSONALLY ON HYPOTHETICAL SITUATION, IT WAS APPARENT FROM CONVERSATION THAT GANGOV IS FULLY AWARE OF BUTHELEZI'S PLANS TO ATTEND ADDIS ABABA CONFERENCE AND THAT IT HAS GIVEN MUCH THOUGHT TO POSSIBILITY OF BUTHELEZI VISIT.

2. OFFICIAL OPINED FON. MIN. IS WOEFULLY UNINFORMED ON EVENTS IN SOUTH AFRICA AND ALTHOUGH TANZANIANS WOULD NOT MEET WITH SOUTH AFRICAN OFFICIALS, DISCUSSIONS WITH HOMELAND LEADERS
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SUCH AS BUTHELEZI COULD BE MOST EDUCATIONAL AND SALUTARY.

HE CITED CONFERENCE OF SIX HOMELAND LEADERS IN UMTATA AS IMPORTANT EVENT THAT MINISTRY SHOULD KNOW MORE ABOUT. HE ALSO SMILED BROADLY WHEN IT WAS SUGGESTED THAT POSSIBLY HOMELAND LEADERS MIGHO CREATE SITUATION WHERE SAG HAS "TIGER-BY-THE-TAIL".

3. COMMENT: WE WISH TO UNDERSCORE PRESIDENT NYERERE'S COMMENTS TO CONGRESSMAN JONATHAN BINGHAM AND AMBASSADOR (MEMCON OF AUGUST 15) WHICH EXPRESS CONCERN THAT VISIT TO TANZANIA WOULD CREATE UNNECESSARY PROBLEMS FOR BUTHELEZI. WE BELIEVE, THEREFORE, THAT TAN. GOV. WILL NOT ACTIVELY ENCOURAGE BUTHELEZI VISIT, LEAVING ONUS OF DECISION ON HIM. SHOULD HE DECIDE TO COME, HOWEVER, HE WOULD ALMOST CERTAINLY RECEIVE CORDIAL WELCOME.
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